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Johnny Bueno Sentenced to 25 Years in Prison for Sexual Assault of Children

(Austin, TX) In a plea agreement with the Travis County District Attorney's Office, 63-year-old Johnny Bueno of Austin pleaded guilty to the offenses of Continuous Sexual Assault of a Child and Indecency with a Child by Contact.

He was sentenced to 25 years in prison on February 4th by Judge Tamara Needles in the 427th District Court. Under this sentence, Bueno is not eligible for parole and must serve the 25 years day for day.

According to investigators with the Austin Police Department, in the early 2000's Bueno married a woman with several children. He began sexually abusing his stepchildren when they were as young as five years old until they reached puberty. The abuse continued with step-grandchildren.

The crimes remained a family secret until Bueno abused a child outside of the family. That boy was five when the abuse started and continued until he was eleven. Two years later he told his mother what had happened. Many of the other victims then spoke up and Bueno was arrested in October 2017.

After sentencing, four of the victims took the stand to confront their perpetrator. The victims and their families were thankful for the opportunity to speak their peace, have closure, and move on with their lives according to Travis County Assistant District Attorney Michelle Hallee who prosecuted the case. Hallee was assisted by DA Investigator David Stovall and Victim Counselor Jennifer Murphy who were both instrumental in preparing the case for court.

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